# Rotary Club of Onehunga One Tree Hill Inc.

PO Box 13271, Onehunga, AUCKLAND 1643 Club meets: Monday 5.30 pm for 6.00 pm at Royal Oaks Bowls Clubrooms at 146 Selwyn Street, Onehunga, Auckland President: Bill Grayson - Ph: 09 571 2444 Email:bgrayson@graysonwagner.co.nz Secretary: Gwynyth Carr - Ph: 09-5797 426 (h) - E-mail: gwynythcarr@hotmail.com 9910 District Web Page: <a href="https://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364">www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364</a> 9910 DG's Newsletter: http://www.rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10 Club Website: https://www.rotaryonehungaonetreehill.co.nz/ PARTNERS, FRIENDS & VISITORS ALWAYS WELCOME

### **BULLETIN NO: 192016**

#### AST MEETING: 14 October 2019 Attendance: 22 Visitors: Guest Speaker Peter Bossley

Apologies: Alistair Grundy, Paul Jenner, Iain McCrea, Bruce Passau, Rex and Chalita Wood, Deidre Shea, Bruce Murdoch. Two no show's

Sgt. Raised This Week \$98.30

### Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019 Meeting report

Please note the changes to Hosts and Guest speakers over the next 2 meetings.

President's notes and announcements

The President welcomed back Peter Bossley for his return visit from a fortnight ago. Bill said he'd had a busy week culminating in the need to set out the Club's objectives on the Rotary International website. The Club's application for a \$5,000.00 grant to District was met by a requirement to do this exercise first. From Bill's own enquiries and a Board discussion the President listed the following projects completed so far this year.

OHS Building Project: Bill commented that his assumption was that this project had been given to the School, after being started by the Club and the partnership with the School and Habitat and was self-sustaining. However, he now understood that there was 1300 hours of unpaid work each year provided by Club members. This means that the house which is presently under construction and sold can be properly treated as a project of the Club.

Summer Science School: With a good input from Bruce Passau the Club has sponsored two students for the Summer Science School to take place in January 2020. This will be at a cost of about \$3,500.00 for the Club, if both are accepted.

The Club's fundraising for Rotary Foundation for Polio Plus will see us participate in the Train Collection on 1 November. We have already raised ourselves, largely due to the generosity of one of our members \$40,000.00 to provide to Rotary Foundation for this project.

Blood pressure testing project last weekend was very successful. Special thanks to Derek Neutze for organising it. Between 160 and 170 people were tested with two or three being referred to their own doctors. A good job was done by the St Johns personnel and thanks to members for helping on the day with a special thanks to Alistair Grundy for liaising with Pak'n'Save for the facility.

\* October 2019 Attendance : John Tapu Hospitality: **Quentin Jay** Ant Martin Equipment: 5 Minute Speaker: Bede Brittenden Host : Deidre Shea Speaker: Ben Corbett Subject : Tonga's First Library Thanks: Colin Tea Thanks: Thought for the Week : Alan Bannin

### 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019

4<sup>er</sup> November Attendance: Colin Tea Hospitality: Paul Jenner Equipment : Iain McCrea 5 Minute Speaker Gwynyth Carr Host: Peter Mayow Speaker Nick Mayow Subject: Award Winning NZ Short Film Thanks: Thought for the Week : Noel Cary

## APOLOGIES

If you can't make it, or, wish to bring a partner &/or visitor to our meeting, please advise Alan Bannin abannin2013@gmail.com 09 624 9020

Before Noon of the Friday preceding the meeting so our caterers can provide. Failure Will Incur a Meal Cost!!!

DUTIES: If you can't perform your duty, please arrange a substitute & advise Secretary Gwynyth & Sergeant Noel

CLUB ALMONER is Robin Hulford. Please ring him if any member (past or present) or their families are suffering illness, injury, bereavement or having a happy event

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**Development Month** 

Thursday 17th October 2019



#### President's notes and announcements cont:

Contributions and support for the Kids to Camp project is in the hands of Noel Kerry and is currently underway.

The Far North development project with the involvement of Te Whakaora Tangata Trust is established via President Bill. Project funding of \$108,000.00 is been organised.

This is a big project by anyone's standards.

The President gave notice of a coastal ramble starting in Coatesville at 10am on Sunday 10 November.

Flyer from Albany Rotary below.

#### One-minute spots

**Treasurer Trevor Mosel**y reported very good progress on collection of subs for the first six months of the year with only a few outstanding.

**Bede** reminded the dozen members who had volunteered that there would be further information coming for the Ride the Train collection for polio on 1 November. He is awaiting more details and should have them next week.

**Lloyd Albiston** confirmed the Club's evening at Dolphin Theatre in Onehunga on the evening of Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup> of November. We have moved our regular Monday meeting to 6.30pm on that night. We will have attendees from the Warkworth Club as well as other visitors. Lloyd reported between 55 and 60 acceptances for that night. This is not enough to book out the theatre which seats 119. Visiting on that night will be District Governor Ian Kiernan and his wife Jasmine, also assistant District Governor Min Roche and partner.



Colin Tea picked up the threads of his story about his life from where he had left off a fortnight ago. He was working in Zambia when the government decided to take over the business in which he was employed. The owners left immediately but he stayed on running a large building materials supply depot. In due course he and his wife decided to look for pastures new and after considering Rhodesia, South Africa and Australia settled on New Zealand (almost by default). By that time, they'd had their daughter Tania. They made their way south ferrying over the Zambesi River into Botswana and, crossing the Beit Bridge in South Africa eventually arriving in Cape Town. Collin's story ended at the five-minute bell

so he will return for a second encore.



St Bede. Is this a prayer for the Ab's ? Or for a successful End Polio Now Project?



Welcome back Ant And George



Treasurer Trevor's thanks for prompt subs payments by most members. (The same consideration given to Apologies and Duties would make Trevor and Noel's work less onerous at meetings. Ed)



#### **Guest speaker – Peter Bossley Architect**

Peter returned a fortnight after his last visit when he was thwarted by technology. He was introduced by Quentin who works with Peter. Quentin said that what he liked about Peter's work is that he designs buildings which you cannot imitate.

Peter then gave us an illustrated address under the banner "Themes and Obsessions". He said that most architects like to do as wide a range of work as possible, but often have no choice but to do the work people ask them to do.

As well as doing many high-end residential homes, the firm has also worked on affordable housing most recently at Hobsonville Point. They have also done work for the Housing Corporation.

Peter then spoke about the following buildings.

The Plant and Food research centre in Mount Albert. This is a re-design and refurbishment of the former DSIR building. Originally the building was unattractive with an Eastern European post war appearance and layout. Many of the staff did not like working in it. (Even hated it.) In the course of working on this project Peter discovered what a phenomenal reputation the DSIR has internationally. The building has been opened up and re-organised internally with the shifting of the central corridor on each floor to one side to provide open spaces and access to other spaces in with more natural light. The removal of some old ventilation shafts enabled the creation of light and airy meeting areas. This helped to deal with a silo mentality which had been moulded by the original design.

Te Awahua Nieuwe Stroom at Foxton. This building, in the town of Foxton with a population of 4,000 has taken ten years to complete. It contains a library, a Dutch Museum and a Maori Museum working side by side. The location was made by converting an old Mitre 10 building. Many local people worked on the project. The building finally opened about 18 months ago and so far, has been a great success with many visitors from out of town.

Upgrading of Auckland Maritime Museum. When Peter Blake gave NZ32 to the Museum it was necessary to find a new space to display it. This was done inside a rectangular building with reflecting exterior surfaces which directed the light back on to the harbour surface in an interesting and changing way. Inside the building NZ32 was hung from the central portion of the building with a line of smaller rigged yachts often tend Honiara on the Auckland Harbour running down one side, but still enclosed within the museum. The attendances for the museum went up by about 40%.

Surgery building containing 4 Surgeries for the Fred Hollows Foundation in Honiara. This building was adjacent to the local hospital but with an independent power supply and sewage system. The building was naturally ventilated by a clever design of cantilevered overlapping rooves.

The firm is in the throes of completing work on the Park Hyatt Waterfront Hotel containing 200 rooms located on the Eastern edge of the Wynyard Quarter. The Hotel contains a colonnade around the bottom floor as a public area.

A substantial residential apartment block, called AWA Beaumont is being constructed in the Wynyard Quarter. The building is constructed up to the boundary with the pavement and road and has a rough exterior surface. In the centre is a public space and the building is lower on one side to allow more light into this space.

Re-design of the Port of Whangarei Public and Commercial Centre. This project has sought to connect public areas directly to the sea and harbour in an attractive low-rise development. It is an enjoyable area for visitors to wander through as well as enjoyment for the local population.

About 15 years ago Peter was invited to design an apartment development on the edge of Shanghai in China with 4000 apartments for about 12,000 people. He showed some interesting drawings of his concept including the main building which contained a self-ventilating system. The developers were not able to fit Peter's design within their budget so never proceeded.

Peter's final design were drawings of the new Onehunga Bridge replacement. He was pleased that a tender had recently been let for the removal of the old bridge. The new bridge, which has a gracious curving arch as part of its design, is for pedestrians and leisure pursuits such as cyclists and fishing but no motor traffic. Peter anticipates that the construction will get under-way with that project in the next 12 months. This project has also stirred his interest in what might be done with the Onehunga Wharf area.

Peter was thanked by Ernie Meyer.

#### Special date for the diary: District Governor Ian's visit 18th November 2019



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Welcome back Parehuia.

The sergeant spotted coins to be collected!



# Rotary Abary Coatesville Garden Ramble Sunday 10th November 2019 From 10am to 4pm

Spend a day wandering through six outstanding gardens: Mincher, Twin Lakes, A'la Fois, Mahoenui Farm, Bumkin Garden and Natural Garden.

# Tickets \$40

All funds raised goes towards Glaucoma NZ Awareness and other Albany Rotary Community Projects.

For more information and ticket sales phone 021 676795 or go to <u>www.facebook.com/CoatesvilleGardenRamble2019</u>

No children are permitted and young adults must be supervised by a parent or guardian. No animals (except for Guide Dogs) are permitted. Raffle, food and drink vendors on site.





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